

In re Tsurufuji
09/517,009

REMARKS

The Examiner is thanked for the Official Action of August 13, 2001. This amendment and request for reconsideration is believed to be fully responsive thereto.

Claims 1-5 were provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness type-double patenting. Attached hereto is a terminal disclaimer rendering this rejection moot.

Claims 1-5 were provisionally rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Yamamoto, et al. U.S. 09/320,839. This rejection is respectfully traversed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 103(c). Attached hereto please find a copy of the assignment executed February 4, 2000 and recorded on February 28, 200 under Reel/Frame # 010594/0067. Applicant's representative, undersigned, hereby states that at the time the present application was made, it was commonly owned by Daiwa Seiko, Inc. Thus, applicant respectfully requests that the aforementioned rejection be withdrawn.

New claims 6-9 have been added to additionally define the invention. Claims 6-9 are supported by the specification and drawing figure 2.

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It is respectfully submitted that existing claims 1-5 and new claims 6-9 define the invention over the prior art and notice to this effect is respectfully solicited.

Should the examiner believe further discussion regarding the above claim language would expedite prosecution they are invited to contact the undersigned at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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In re Application of: TSURUFUJI, T.

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Title: APPARATUS FOR MOUNTING REEL ON FISHING ROD



APPENDIX WITH MARKED UP CHANGES

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add new claims 6-9 as follows.

6. The reel seat according to claim 4, wherein the closed chamber is defined between the main body and the nut member.

7. The reel seat according to claim 4, wherein the recesses, the coiled spring, and the protrusion are provided to members other than the pair of hoods and the nut member.

8. The reel seat according to claim 4, wherein the recesses, the coiled spring, and the protrusion are arranged in an axial direction of the main body.

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9. A reel seat comprising:

a main body;

a pair of hoods, at least one of said hoods is movable relative to said main body;

a nut member, threadingly engaged with said main body, for moving said movable hood relative to said main body by rotation and associated movement of said nut member relative to said main body by rotation and associated movement of said nut member relative to said main body; and

a click sound generation mechanism, installed between the main body and the nut member, for generating click sound using relative movement between the main body and the nut member,

wherein said click sound generation mechanism includes recesses, a coiled spring, and a protrusion on an end of said coiled spring and engageable with one of said recesses which are arranged in an axial direction of the main body.